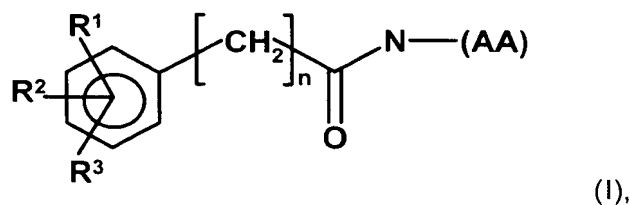


**Abstract**

The invention provides novel compounds of general formula I



wherein  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are independently hydrogen,  $OR^4$ ,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or  $C_2$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  
 $R^4$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or  $C_2$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,

-N-(AA) represents the residue of an amino acid or of a peptide which is bonded over the N-terminus of the amino acid or the peptide and the peptide is composed of 2 to 6, that means 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6, amino acids, wherein the C-terminus of the amino acid or the peptide is optionally esterified with a  $C_1$ - $C_{16}$  hydrocarbon moiety and  
 n is an integer of 1 to 5.

The compounds are in particular useful for cosmetic applications.